

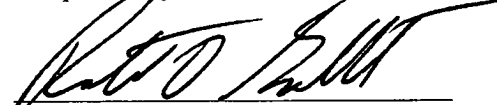
## REMARKS

In the Office Action it is indicated that claims 7-16 are allowed, and claims 1-7 are rejected. There is therefore a discrepancy, in that claim 7 has been indicated to be both allowable and rejected. Applicant believes that independent claim 7 is allowable and that the indication that claim 7 is rejected is an oversight. Applicant has amended the claim accordingly.

In response to the Office Action Applicant has cancelled claims 1-6. Claims 7-16 remain and are indicated to be allowable. These claims are unamended herein.

Having responded to all of the paragraphs of the Office Action, and having amended the claims accordingly, Applicant respectfully submits that the Application is now in condition for allowance. Applicant therefore respectfully requests that a Notice of Allowance be forthcoming at the Examiner's earliest opportunity. Should the Examiner have any questions or comments with regard to this amendment, a telephonic conference at the number set forth below is respectfully requested.

Respectfully submitted,



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